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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Aelan MOSDEN, et al.

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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR TREATING A HARD MASK TO IMPROVE ETCH CHARACTERISTICS



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- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith: .

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.